

**Table 15.25-- MINORITY-OWNED BUSINESS ENTERPRISES:
1992 AND 1997**

[In previous Economic Censuses, ownership was based on the race/ethnicity/gender of the of the majority of the number of owners, without regard to the percentage of interest owned in the firm. Businesses with 50 percent or more minority owners have in the past been included in the minority business counts. In the 1997 Economic Census, 51 percent or more of the interest, claims or rights in the business must be held by minorities to be included as a minority-owned business]

Year and characteristics	All firms (whether or not owned by minorities)	Firms owned by minorities 1/			
		Total	Black- owned	Hispanic- owned 2/	Owned by Asians and others 3/
1992					
All firms:					
Number	79,050	41,111	717	3,192	38,392
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	10,724,000	4,928,642	27,382	187,717	4,766,788
Firms with paid employees:					
Number	10,420	5,555	42	277	5,301
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	8,806,000	3,926,269	16,794	131,663	3,804,639
Employees	99,280	44,712	211	2,357	42,461
Annual payroll (\$1,000)	1,799,000	760,387	2,513	39,300	724,331
1997					
All firms:					
Number	93,981	54,250	638	4,153	51,092
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	55,361,257	14,822,367	34,165	277,047	14,571,305
Firms with paid employees:					
Number	23,415	12,719	168	360	12,264
Sales and receipts (\$1,000)	52,869,179	13,569,934	20,562	178,206	13,408,466
Employees	412,304	125,771	561	2,276	123,787
Annual payroll (\$1,000)	10,418,079	3,057,851	7,502	45,306	3,017,926

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1/ Persons of mixed race were instructed to report the race they most closely identified with. Whites (Caucasians), although only 33.4 percent of the 1990 population of Hawaii, were treated as a non-minority group for census purposes.

2/ Persons of Hispanic origin may be members of any race.

3/ Asians, Pacific Islanders (including Hawaiians), American Indians, and Alaska Natives. For the 1992 Economic Census, state detail for individual races were not available. For the United States as a whole, Hawaiians owned 11,587 firms with gross receipts of \$1,058,332,000.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, *1992 Economic Census, Survey of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises, Black*, MB92-1 (Jan. 1996), tables 2 and 11; *Hispanic*, MB92-2 (June 1994), tables 3 and 14; *Asians and Pacific Islanders, American Indians, and Alaska Natives*, MB92-3 (July 1996), tables A, 2, and 11; U.S. Census Bureau, *1997 Economic Census, Survey of Minority-Owned Business Enterprises, Company Statistics Series, Black*, EC97CS-3 (March 2001), table 2; *Hispanic*, EC97CS-4 (February 2001), table 3; *Asians and Pacific Islanders*, EC97CS-5 (May 2001), table 3; *American Indians and Alaska Natives*, EC97CS-6 (May 2001), table 2; and *1997 Economic Census Minority-and Women-Owned Businesses - Hawaii* <<http://www.census.gov/epcd/mwb97/hi/HI.html>> accessed July 10, 2001.